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SUBJECT: POSSIBLE SALE OF CANADIAN NUCLEAR POWER PLANT

TO ROMANIA

REF: A. COCOM DOC. (74) 1859; STATE 215187 (9/30/74) (NOTAL)

- 1. UNDER INSTRUCTIONS, CANADIAN DEL GOULET HAS ASKED ON INFORMAL BASIS ABOUT POLICY ANGLES INVOLVED IN SALE OF GERMAN NUCLEAR POWER PLANT TO USSR (REF A). HE SAID DISCUSSIONS WERE GOING ON BETWEEN CANADA AND ROMANIA ON POSSIBLE SALE OF A CANDU NUCLEAR POWER PLANT TO ROMANIA, TO WHICH IAEA SAFEGUARDS WOULD BE APPLIED IF A CONTRACT WERE CONCLUDED. HIS GOVERNMENT WAS INTERESTED IN KNOWING PRESENT STATUS OF US CONSIDERATION REF A AND WHAT WERE MAJOR PROBLEMS. HE SAID HE DID NOT THINK CANADIAN EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON HAD HAD INSTRUCTIONS TO MAKE A DEMARCHE THERE. HE INDICATED HE WAS PUTTING SAME QUERY TO UK DEL.
- 2. WE TOLD HIM THAT FOR THE US THE MAJOR -- THOUGH NOT THE ONLY -- PROBLEM WAS THE NON-APPLICATION OF SAFE-GUARDS, AND THAT OUR AUTHORITIES WERE STILL STUDYING THE GERMAN CASE FROM THAT ANGLE. WE CALLED HIS CONFIDENTIAL

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ATTENTION TO OTHER US QUESTIONS RAISED IN REF B AND RE-

CORDED IN COCOM DOC. (74) 1957.

3. CANADIAN ASKED WHETHER APPLICATION OF SAFEGUARDS TO SALE OF POWER PLANT TO ROMANIA (IF IT WENT THROUGH) WOULD REMOVE THE MAJOR PROBLEM FOR THE US. ON A PERSONAL BASIS WE REPLIED THAT IT APPEARED TO US IT WOULD BUT STRESSED TECHNOLOGY ISSUES ALSO SEEMED IMPORTANT. WE ADDED THAT FOR A MORE AUTHORITATIVE READING IT WOULD BE BETTER IF CANADIAN EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON WERE TO APPROACH US AUTHORITIES THERE.

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